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FM AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9406

INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L NDJAMENA 0900

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, ACOM, CD

SUBJECT: MESSAGES ROUTED THROUGH FRENCH EMBASSY

REF: STATE 86575

1. FRENCH EMB N'DJAMENA UNDERTOOK TRANSMIT THREE MESSAGES FROM AMEMB N'DJAMENA TO AM EMBASSY PARIS FOR TRANSMISSION TO SECSTATE. FIRST WAS INITIAL REPORT COUP (TURNED OVER TO FRENCH EMBASSY NOON APRIL 13), WHICH DEPT. RECEIVED. SECOND WAS SITUATION REPORT APRIL 15 WHICH FRENCH AMBASSADOR SAID WOULD BE TRANSMITTED BY 1400 THAT DAY. THIRD WAS APRIL 15 INITIAL MESSAGE ON VIXAMAR ASYLUM REQUEST WHICH REPEATED APRIL 16 AS N'DJAMENA 887.

2. APRIL 15 SITREP FOLLOWS: QUOTE: SUBJECT: CHADIAN COUP DEVELOPMENTS, PARIS PASS SECSTATE IMMEDIATE

1. N'DJAMENA CONTINUES QUIET ALTHOUGH OCCASIONAL SMALL ARMS FIRE HEARD NIGHTS APRIL 13 AND 14. AMERICANS IN N'DJAMENA SAFE AND IN GOOD SPIRITS. ALTHOUGH NO CONTACT WITH PROVINCES, DO NOT BELIEVE THERE ANY CAUSE FOR CONCERN FOR AMERICANS OUTLYING DISTRICTS.

2. GENERAL ODINGAR COMMUNIQUE ON BEHALF ARMED FORCES GROUP APRIL 13 AFTERNOON ANNOUNCED DECISIONS, CONFIDENTIAL

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INTER ALIA, MAINTAIN INTERNATIONAL UNDERTAKINGS AND

ACCORDS WHICH EXIST BETWEEN CHAD AND BROTHERLY AND FRIENDLY COUNTRIES; REQUEST FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES IN CHAD REMAIN AT THEIR POSTS; AND REQUESTED CHADIAN DIPLOMATS ABROAD ALSO REMAIN AT POSTS.

3. MEETING CALLED BY ARMED FORCES GROUP AT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY 1630 HOURS APRIL 14 TO WHICH FORMER GOVERNMENT AND MNRCS INVITED. OPENING ADDRESS WAS BY ODINGAR, ACCORDING RADIO CHAD SUMMARY, WHO DENIED ARMY DESIRED POWER FOR POWER'S SAKE AND INSISTED ACTION TAKEN SIMPLY PREVENT COUNTRY FROM FALLING INTO ABYSS. GENERAL DJOGO, WHOM COUP FREED FROM ARREST, WAS PRESENT AND ANNOUNCED THAT FOLLOWING MEMBERS TOMBALBAYE REGIME WERE AT MEETING AND HAD PLACED THEMSELVES AT SERVICE OF ARMED FORCES.

EL HADJ ABBO NASSOUR, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE MNRCS;
ADOUM TCHERE, FORMER MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE MNRCS;

TOGO DJIME, FORMER MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF MNRCS;

ALI KOSSO, FORMER MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF MNRCS AND VICE PRESIDENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL;

ABDOULAYE DJONOUA, FORMER MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS, MINES, GEOLOGY, HOUSING, AND TERRITORIAL DEVELOPMENT;

MAHAMAT DJARMA, FORMER MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF MNRCS AND MAYOR OF N'DJAMENA;

N'GARBAYE DABA IDABAYE (EX JACQUES MORBAYE), FORMER MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE;
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SOHOLLOT BAKOURE, FORMER MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF MNRCS.

4. TELEX LINES TO EXTERIOR REMAIN CLOSED. LITTLE

END QUOTE. N.B. N'DJAMENA 0896 REPORTS THAT MEMBERS FORMER GOVERNMENT LISTED ABOVE NOW UNDER ARREST.

3. FOURTH MESSAGE WHICH FRENCH EMB AGREED PASS AMEMB
PARIS WAS ON BEHALF CONOCO, TO BE SENT ACTION LONDON, INFO
SECSTATE REPORTING CONOCO PERSONNEL SAFE AND OPERATIONS
CONTINUING. (CONOCO/CHAD HAS SINCE TALKED WITH LONDON OFFICE
BY TELEPHONE.)
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